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Hongkong, November 6, 1893. 247

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NOTICE.

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Hongkong, July 20, 1894. 1108

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By Order of the Board,
W. HUTTON POTT,
Secretary.

Hongkong, July 4, 1894. 1116

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Fifty-Sixth Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on MONDAY, the 30th Instant, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Account, declaring a Dividend, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to 30th Instant, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, July 11, 1894. 1146

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

IN accordance with the Provisions of No. 104 of the Articles of Association the General Managers have This Day declared an Interim DIVIDEND for the Half-Year ended 30th June, 1894, of EIGHT PER CENT, upon the Paid-up Capital.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS Payable at the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK will be issued to Shareholders on SATURDAY, the 28th July.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th to 28th Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, July 14, 1894. 1175

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62, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

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FOR STEAMSHIP. DATE. REMARKS.

SHANGHAI.....About 30th July.....Freight or Passage.

LONDON, &c.....Clyde.....Noon, 2nd August.....See Special Advertisement.

JAPAN.....Ancona.....3rd August.....Freight or Passage.

SHANGHAI.....Java.....About 3rd August.....Freight or Passage.

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Hongkong, June 30, 1894. 1102

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Hongkong, July 24, 1894. 1201

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Hongkong, May 15, 1893. 1515

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52.—Sailors' Home.
49.—Shaw & Co.
61.—Stevens, G. R.
62.—Do. do. Residence.
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76.—Telegraph Companies' Co., Wing Lok Street.
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15.—Watson, & Co., Queen's Road.
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Hongkong, July 19, 1894. 1195

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Suh | Tuesday | August 7.

Victoria | Tuesday | August 28.

Tucma | Tuesday | Sept. 25.

Sik | Tuesday | October 16.

Victoria | Tuesday | November 6.

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terest (or even without interest, suggests the astute native). The railways may be sold for 60,000,000 yen, so that, altogether, the Japanese Government may rely on getting 100,000,000 yen very easily without recourse to a foreign loan. It may occur to the western mind that these sources of revenue are not quite satisfactory as this Japanese authority is disposed to imagine. Enthusiasm and pluck may carry an army a long way, but money is a valuable auxiliary. So far as we can see, Japan is not so thoroughly prepared for war as many think, and if China follows her usual tactics she may apply a very effectual check not only to Japanese prospects in the Korean Peninsula but to Japanese pretensions in the Far East. Such a contingency, in the opinion of many, would be deplorable.

TELEGRAMS.

(Supplied to the 'CHINA MAIL').

(Via Southern Line).

London, July 23, 1894.

TELEGRAPH CELEBRATION.
A banquet was given at the Imperial Institute to celebrate the twenty-five anniversary of telegraphy to the Far East.CHINA, JAPAN, AND COREA.
It is rumoured in Shanghai that war has been declared between China and Japan, the cause being the refusal of Japan to accede to the demand of China that Japanese warships should not enter Chinese treaty ports.THE BISLEY MEETING.
Rennie, of the 3rd Lancashire, is the winner of the Queen's Prize.THE ITALIANS IN KASSALA.
The Italians have released many Egyptian prisoners, and have found immense quantities of stores destined for a Mahdist expedition against Massowah in the autumn.THE FRENCH PRESS ON THE OCCUPATION OF MASSOWAH.
The Paris press resent the occupation of Massowah by the Italians.

(Special to the China Gazette.)

THE CHINESE ARMY IN KOREA.
Shanghai, July 20.

We have received a despatch from Tientsin saying that the Chinese troops are dying by scores in Korea, and are hanging themselves by dozens to escape from their misery.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUER CANAL.

OUTWARD BOUND.—*Smit*, June 8; *Energia*, Quackenbush, 19; *Lingfield*, 26; *Chesteron*, Maria Valeria, *Strathlyn*, 23; *Denebigeshire*, July 3; *Daventry*, 6; *Sachsen*, *Serpentine*, Glenary, Myrmidon, Hertha, *Onika*, 10; *Ader*, 13.HOMeward Bound.—*Eber*, June 5; *Bentledi*, 26; *Glenearn*, *Glenylea*, *Vindobona*, *Paking*, *Malacca*, July 3; *Palamedes*, *Ulysses*, *Satrapis*, 6; *Glenartney*, *Melbourne*, *Polymelus*, *Volute*, *Manila*, 10; *Priok*, *Ganges*, 13.The O. & S. a. *Belje*, with the American Mail of June 23, left Yokohama on Thursday, July 19, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, July 24.The N. P. a. *Sikh*, from Victoria, B.C., left Yokohama on the afternoon of July 18, for Hongkong.The P. & O. a. *Surat*, with the English Mail of June 23, left Singapore on Monday, July 23, at 4 p.m., and may be expected here on Saturday, July 28. This packet brings replies to letters (despatched from Hongkong on May 24).The P. M. a. *Peru*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama, on July 7.The O. & O. a. *Oceanic*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama, on July 17.The C. P. R. a. *Empress of China* left Vancouver on Friday, July 17, for Hongkong, via Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai and Hongkong.The O. S. S. Co.'s a. *Tenzer* left Singapore for this port on July 19, and may be expected here on or about July 25.The D. D. R. a. *Despatch*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on July 20, and may be expected here on or about July 25.The N. G. L. a. *Blugno* left Singapore for this port on July 20, and may be expected here on or about July 25.The O. B. S. Co.'s steamship *Lerter* left Singapore on July 20, and may be expected here on or about July 25.The P. & O. a. *Jaws* left Bombay for this port on July 14.The P. & O. a. *Japan* left London for this port on July 15.The O. S. S. Co.'s steamship *Lerter* left Singapore for this port on Friday, the 20th inst., and is due here on or about Thursday, the 26th inst.The Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Company informs us that the Coy's a. *Surat* left Singapore for this port on the 23rd Inst., at 4 p.m., with the outward English Mail, and is expected here about 5 p.m. on the 28th Inst.

The Band of the 1st Shropshire L. I. will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess to-night, commencing at 8 o'clock:

Maj. Town the Bear Carter
Overman The Dame Hodge
Selections Les Meilleurs Noirs Bonnard
Invitation a la Vie Chabrier
Selections The Bear Verdi
Folks A Sleight Ride JulianTHE steamer *Mogul*, hoisted the Japanese flag on the 13th inst.The *Avenir du Tonkin* of the 18th instant reports that the Danish steamer *Ak*, Capt. Revéboek, chartered by Martz and D'Abbadie, grounded on the Dale Bank, four miles from Hollow, on her last trip, and had to discharge some cargo before floating again. Her hull was uninjured.

We have received from Messrs Kelly and Walsh 'A Manual of Customs' Practice at Shanghai, a handbook which should be of considerable value to traders, shipowners and shipmasters. Supplementary information is given regarding treaty port regulations, the tariff, forms, &c.

A SEAMAN belonging to the steamer *Ismailia* brought a charge of assault against the chief officer and boatman at Kobe. He so frightened Consul Ennis by stating that he intended to call thirty-four witnesses, that that functionality passed on the case to the Court at the next port of call, which may be Hongkong.

It is stated in a Tientsin telegram to a Japanese paper that, in the event of war between China and Japan, China will employ British officers in the Navy and German officers in the Army, and that her intention has already been communicated to the British and German ambassadors in Peking.

At the Magistracy to-day, before Mr. H. E. Weddell, the ex-captain of *Mears Blackhead & Co.*'s steam-launch was fined \$10 (with the alternative, which he did not elect, of going to gaol for a month) for having consistently 'levied toll' on the various goods entrusted to him to be taken on board vessels in the harbour.

JAPAN and China seem to have a curious way of preparing for war. The other day we reported the destruction of a new rifle factory in China; now we have to report the partial destruction of a gunpowder factory in Japan. If the diplomats can only hold out long enough the Korean difficulty might ultimately be settled by mutual 'blowing up.'

Mr. C. O. Malach yesterday afternoon held an auction of Crown land at Kowloon; an island lot measuring 18,000 square feet, near the slaughter houses in Hunghom Bay, was put up at an upset price of \$1,800 and was without competition knocked down for \$1,810 to *Mears Sander & Co.*, who it is reported intend to erect a glass factory on the ground.

It is true, as we have heard, that the plague bacillus has been found some 18 inches underground in the infected district of Taiping-shan, we would remind the authorities of the suggestion made in these columns several weeks ago about burning the soil with kerosene. It was suggested that, as no crooks of the ground could escape the penetrating power of this oil, the burning of the polluted ground, after the floors are thoroughly saturated with kerosene, would kill every germ within reach of the flame. This proposal is supported by several thoroughly practical men, and its adoption becomes all the more necessary in view of the statement that the deadly bacillus may live a foot and a half underground.

WHAT is spoken of as 'emphatically a pretty entertainment' was given in Kobe on the 10th inst. in aid of the funds of the Kobe Lionizing Club. The entertainment consisted of tableaux and musical items. The tableaux included 'He loves me,' 'The Father,' 'Nydia,' 'Monkey Brand,' 'Auld Robin Grey,' and 'Living Statuary.' Those taking part included Mrs and Miss Skinner, Miss E. Smithers, Miss McGlew, Miss Drewell, and Messrs Ede, Noel, Wilkinson, Taverner, Marshall, Lila, and Hazelwood, and Mr. Duff is credited with leading Mrs. Sykes and Mr. Whitall assistance in presenting details. Mr. Grimes assisted in playing accompaniments.

It is believed that the registration of native brothels is to be finally abolished by ordinance in a very short time. An ordinance will, it is said, be introduced at the next meeting of the Legislative Council, to do away with the only remaining check upon such houses. This action, it may be presumed, is taken by orders from Home, and it is to be hoped the consequences will also be adduced upon the proper persons. The howls of the alleged party people are having their effect all the world over for the present; but the interests of sound morality are being clearly sacrificed to a class of sentimental, noisy and ignorant agitation by a weak, vote-hunting administration. What this port and garrison may become when all efficient checks are removed, may be guessed by the condition it reached before those checks were imposed. We repeat that the Home Government are making a mistake in listening to the faddists who oppose the G. D. Acts and the result will unfortunately prove the correctness of our statements all too soon.

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THE steamer *Alma* is increasing among the Shanghai ponies.

THE Kyoto Electric Light Company has declared a dividend of seven per cent. for the last half-year. There are said to be 2,023 houses using the lights.

A CHINESE native paper states that Li Hung-chang has borrowed a million taels from the leading foreign bank, pledging as security the property of the China Merchants S. N. Co.

TOXUWA-MURA, Sado Island, with its leaching care for the health of its officials, requires each of them to take a two hours' nap after dinner. This is called 'Sanitary Interval,' and is called, no public business can be attended to.

A DISPENSARY and doctor's residence is being erected in Chinamen's Town. The building, as a concession to Chinese ideas, is being constructed, exteriorly, on the most perfect models of good Chinese architecture.

A TIENTSIN telegram was received in Shanghai on the 21st inst. stating that the Japanese Government has intimated that the recall of H. E. Yuan, Chinese Resident at Seoul, to China and the substitution of some one else in his place would be acceptable to the Japanese Government.

SEVERAL of the steamers sailing in at Swallow from Hongkong have taken plague patients, states our Northern contemporaries, but the victims were one and all promptly taken to a marsh hospital situated to the east of the fort, and kept in strict isolation.

TAX HOCHI reports that the plague at Hongkong has had a serious effect on the trade of Japan. The export of matches from Kobe, last month, according to the *Nichi Nichi*, was 17,100 cases, a decrease of 5,611 cases as compared with the quantity exported in the previous month. The falling of is attributed to the prevalence of the plague in Hongkong and the Korean trouble.On the afternoon of the 18th inst. a boat belonging to H. M. S. *Porpoise*, being sailed by one of her people, capsized in the middle of the river at Shanghai. Fortunately, the occupants were able to reach a sampan close by, and as several steam-launches and boats from the *Porpoise* and *Wolf* were quickly on the scene, the boat was soon raised and taken alongside the ship.

AN UNOFFICIAL report has come from Chining to the effect that the recent trouble between the Roman Catholic and populace of Tauchuan has been constituted by the payment of an indemnity of Tls. 2,000 to the Mission, and Tls. 200 to the family of each man slain in the riot, with promises of damage money to such as were injured. This riot was entirely among the natives, and grew out of a comprehension of events as between the converts and people.

HAMPTON'S Circus has closed its season in Shanghai, after a series of 'benefits' to the members of the troupe. The Circus starts on a three year's tour in Japan, Honolulu, New Zealand, Australia, Java, India and the East. Colonial Birds has left for America and Europe, to engage new novelties, meeting the company with them in New Zealand. He says he has his eye on the 'living pictures' which are all the rage in London and New York at present, and is also trying to engage the celebrated Yelote family of gymnasts.

According to the latest advices from Japan, a number of Japanese merchants of Yokohama, dealing with Chinese, held a meeting and passed resolutions to the following effect: That until the trouble between Japan and China with regard to Tauchuan is settled no business shall be transacted with Chinese except for cash; that payment shall be pressed for all goods already sold, and on failure of immediate payment the goods shall be taken back; that all goods now in the godowns of Chinese merchants awaiting inspection shall be at once entered in their passbooks and receipts given for them; and that a committee of three Japanese merchants be appointed to press for the payment of all moneys due by Chinese for goods sold. A police guard has been stationed at the Chinese Consulate at Yokohama, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and other important points in Chinatown.

WHILE Government have been influenced by interested parties in England, and are trying to enforce legislation and otherwise hamper one of the most important rising industries of this country to give place to the English fuel, the following particulars with reference to the Bengal Collieries will prove interesting at the present time (says *Indian Engineering*). There are about 60 collieries in Bengal and the world extend over an area of about 600 square miles. The minors are drawn from the aboriginal tribes, chiefly Santals and Bauls, who are not fit for their endurance and docility. In the larger and better mines, coal is raised by steam power from pits or shafts and inclines, and in the smaller ones by hand labour. Twenty-five of these collieries turned out during the last year 1,041,706 tons of coal and manufactured 14,631 tons of coke, utilising 92 engines of 1,907 H.P. Ventilation is ordinarily natural by a proper system of air openings, and in some cases is assisted by furnaces and fans. The lighting is by ordinary open oil lamps. The total number of work people employed was upwards of 20,000.

A CORRESPONDENT sends the following communication to an Indian contemporary:—Some time back I remember reading in your paper that the big huge ants (that house nuisance) were of the same use to the ant as the elephant was to us, and that they were probably slaves and helped to carry the young baby ants on house-changing or foraging expeditions. Last night I killed a cockroach and this morning I found its corpse almost submerged with these little black ants with a few of the bigger fellows amongst them. They had evidently just found it, and had brought up a lot of ants to carry it away wholly. I watched their movements for a little while, and then left to attend to some other business. About an hour afterwards I again looked and found that they had managed to remove both the insects and one leg. This interested me at once and I started watching them more closely with the result that I think I have fairly discovered the use of these giant ants. I found two of them busy cutting up the cockroach and what is more, exactly at the joints of the limb, also wings at the socket. These big ants are therefore the butchers and probably the lords of the little fellows, because I am almost certain I saw one of the big fellows get hold of one of the little fellows and literally divide it into two with its huge nippers.

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THE CRISIS IN COREA.

Private telegrams were received in Hongkong to-day stating that the Japanese have promised to treat Shanghai as a neutral port in the event of war.

Shanghai is therefore in no danger of hostile operations, and will not need to be closed by the sinking of ballast-boats on the bar, as threatened.

The British and American Concessions in Shanghai are wholly Chinese territory, and no liable to attack in any war with China, as Foochow was in the Franco-Chinese war; but the French hold their Concession as a French territory, inviolable.

The latest telegraphic information, received in Hongkong this afternoon, states:—'Chinese telegrams to Shanghai report that actual fighting has commenced in Corea.' This, however, requires confirmation, and can hardly be relied on standing alone.

THE PLAGUE IN HONGKONG.

A case of plague was discovered to-day on the premises of the Chinese Telegraph Administration in Queen's Road Central.

A patient who was found by the search parties a few days ago and taken to Kennedy-town, whence at his own request he was sent to Lai-ki-ko-kok, was discovered again hiding in a house in Hongkong three days later; he was again carried away to hospital, and died next day. The story is that he insisted on the Lai-ki-ko-kok people letting him come back to get his food.

The dead body of a Chinese child was found this morning lying in the road beside Murray Barracks, leading up towards Head-quarter House. The body probably came from Fletcher Street or thereabouts, but it is not certain whether death resulted from plague or not.

The figures to-day are hardly as good as yesterday; but that is a mere ephemeral detail. The general view of the situation is that, with Canton and the neighbouring part of the mainland permanently infected, if Professor Kitasato is right, Hongkong has become permanently liable to the importation of the disease; therefore there will always be a few cases—enough to deprive the Colony of a 'clean bill of health'—until by some means or other our island is rendered quite impregnable to every invasion of the bacillus. That will be only after the expenditure of a great deal more time and trouble, to say nothing of money, for, as Professor Kitasato showed in his papers published in these columns last Friday, the very soil of China-town is impregnated with disease germs; and now the French bacteriologist, Dr. Yerasin, has announced that soil taken from a depth of a foot or two in Tai-ping-shan shows a greater proportion of bacilli than any part of the anatomy of plague patients. This cannot reasonably be taken to imply less than that there is certain danger in the soil wherever the poorer classes of Chinese have lived, or at the very least wherever the plague has been. This is a serious matter—so serious that it is a pity the Hongkong Government has no means of enlarging its information in this special direction, except by the courtesy of foreign specialists, whose business is merely with their own governments. If the Hongkong Government cannot retain the services of a qualified bacteriologist, some satisfactory arrangement should be made with those who have already been here investigating, and who may at any moment leave Hongkong and so deprive the authorities here of a valuable opportunity.

Meantime, as the plague still continues its work, so do the search parties. The soldiers have hitherto almost monopolised the work, but they have by no means monopolised the work. Some of the volunteer searchers have been hard at it for the last two months, notably Mr. H. C. Nicoll and Mr. W. Blayney, who have been employed in the Central District, at times almost single-handed. Here are also Mr. C. C. Bowring, the Rev. R. F. Cobbold, Lieut. Wood, and Mr. G. H. Poole, all under the superintendence of Inspector German of the Sanitary Department, and piloted by Police Sergeant Molver. They have the assistance of six paid soldiers. The Western District is in charge of Police Sergeant T. Moffatt, and the Eastern, Sergeant Hall. The search parties find scarcely any cases of plague now in the Central, but not many in the East and West Districts; but the work is of course just as hard whether it results in discoveries or not, and although there has been some talk of discontinuing it, there is really no telling how soon the discontinuation may be safely allowed. As long as there are cases which the Chinese may try to conceal, long will the searching be necessary, in order that the other 'emergency men,' the soldiers engaged in disinfecting and cleansing, may have information as to where their attentions are best needed.

On the authority of an intimate friend of Dr. Aoyama, the *Minchini* denies that the professor was addicted to sucking his thumb. Our contemporary asks: is it likely that a person engaged in such dangerous investigations as fell to Dr. Aoyama's lot would suck his fingers? Put in that way, we (*Japan Daily Advertiser*) should answer, peradventure not.We are informed, says the *Japan Daily Herald*, and we believe on good authority, that the Japanese authorities are going to make every steamer from Hongkong undergo the full period of quarantine at Nagasaki.

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This number contains several articles of interest and value.—"North-China Herald."

The China Review for September-October fully maintains the high standard of excellence which characterizes that publication, and altogether forms a very interesting and readable number. Meteorologists will find an interesting and valuable contribution by Dr. Fritsche, on "the Amount of Precipitation (Rain and Snow) of Peking," showing the results of observations made at the Imperial Russian Observatory at Peking, from 1841 to 1880. "Notes on the Dutch Occupation of Formosa," by Mr. Geo. Philips, contains some interesting information, although much of it is second-hand. The Notices of New Books include a most generous and appreciative review of "The Divine Classic of Nan-Hua," and the Notes and Queries are as usual very interesting.—"North-China Daily News."

A substantial and reliable Review which all students of China and the Chinese would do well to peruse.—"Orientalist."

The November-December number of the China Review contains less variety than usual, but the two articles are very interesting. The opening paper by Mr. Herbert A. Giles on "The New Testament in Chinese" treats of a question that must necessarily be of great importance in the eyes of all missionaries.

Mr. E. H. Parker's "Short Journeys in Szechuen" are continued, and a goodly instalment of those travels in the interior of China is given. Mr. F. H. Balfour contributes a paper of some length entitled "The Emperor Cheng, founder of the Chinese Empire," which will be read with genuine interest by students of Chinese history. A few short notices of New Books and a number of Notes and Queries, one of which "On Chinese Oaks in Western Borneo and Java" might appropriately have been placed under a separate heading, complete the number.—"H. K. Daily Press."

Trübner's Oriental Record contains the following notice of the China Review.—

The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the Calcutta Review. The great defect of that journal has been its want of interest upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and historical documents; to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publication as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors.

Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese poet-statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. E. C. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but also distinguished by its literary grace. Besides notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the Review, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may exert a similar degree of literary seal, and that with the displayed desire the lifetime of its predecessor in this field, and that the China Review may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance.

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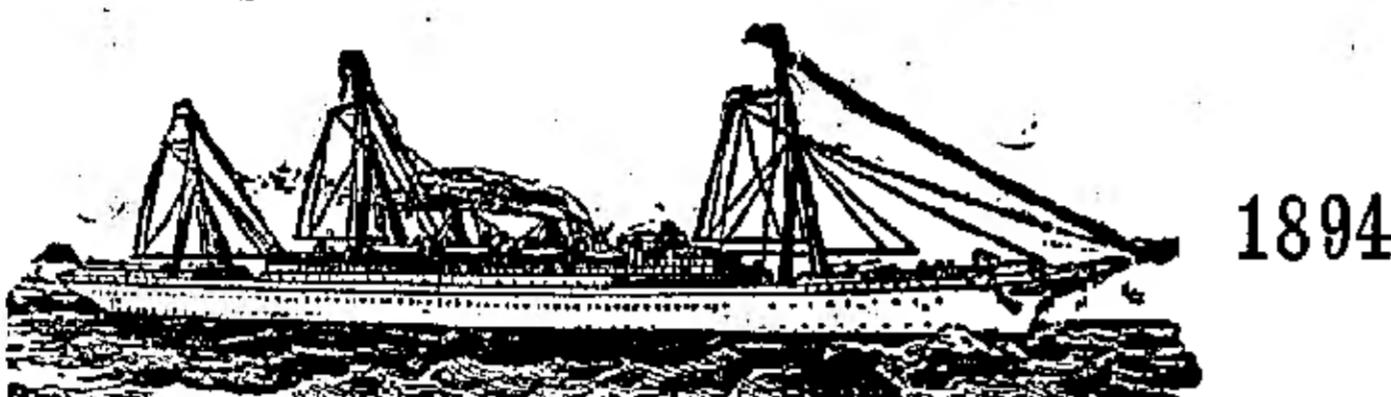
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